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Please enter the following response on the record in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 9, 2008. A Petition For A Two Month Extension Of Time is attached hereto. A Request For Continued Examination is also attached hereto.

On page two please find amendments to the claims in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121.